

Sensory Words

Keep the following lists of words to help you improve your writing. Using sensory words can help you provide more details and examples in your writing.

SOUND WORDS

Hanging	croaking	laughing	ringing	tinkling
Barking	crunching	moaning	rumbling	thudding
Bawling	crying	mooing	rustling	thumping
Blaring	dripping	mumbling	scratching	ticking
Booming	exploding	muttering	screaming	twittering
Buzzing	fizzing	noisy	screeching	warbling
Chattering	gagging	peeping	singing	wheezing
Chiming	gasping	piercing	slamming	whimpering
Chirping	giggling	pinging	shouting	whining
Clanging	grating	popping	silent	whispering
Clicking	grunting	quacking	snoring	whooping
Clinking	gurgling	quiet	splashing	
Cooing	hissing	rapping	squawking	
Coughing	honking	rasping	stuttering	
Crackling	jangling	riming	tearing	

TOUCH WORDS

Abrasive	feathery	knobbed	sandy	spongy
Biting	fine	lacy	scalding	steamy
Boiling	fluffy	leathery	scorching	steely
Bubby	foamy	light	scratchy	sticky
Bulky	freezing	lukewarm	scummy	stifled
Bumpy	furry	matted	shaggy	stinging
Burning	fuzzy	metallic	sharp	stony
Bushy	glassy	moist	silky	stubby
Clammy	gluey	mushy	slimy	tangled
Coarse	grainy	numbing	slippery	tender
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Crisp	gushy	plastic	smothering	tickling

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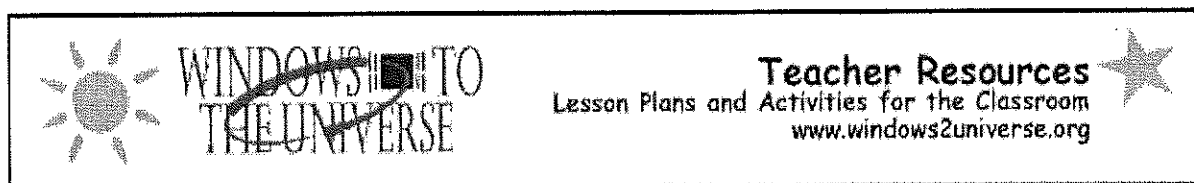
Cushioned	hairy	pocked	soapy	tough
Damp	heavy	pointed	soft	velvety
Downy	hot	pulpy	sopping	warm
Drenched	humid	rocky	soupy	waxy

TASTE AND SMELL WORDS

Acid	doughy	minty	rank	sweaty
Acidic	earthy	moist	raw	sweet
Acrid	floury	moldy	rich	tangy
Alkaline	flowery	musky	rotten	tasteless
Aromatic	fresh	musty	salty	tough
Biting	fruity	oily	scented	vile
Bitter	garlicky	perfumed	sharp	vinegary
Bland	heartly	pickled	sour	
Burnt	hot	piney	spicy	
Buttery	lemony	plastic	spoiled	
Cold	medicinal	pungent	stagnant	

SIGHT WORDS

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Sensory Detail Word Bank:

Sound words

Loud words

Crash	yell	clap	brawl
Thud	whistle	stomp	bedlam
Bump	whine	stamp	pandemonium
Thump	squawk	noise	hubbub
Boom	bark	discord	blatant
Thunder	bawl	jangle	deafening
Bang	bray	rasp	raucous
Smash	bluster	clash	earsplitting
Explode	rage	caterwaul	piercing
Roar	blare	clamor	rowdy
Scream	rumble	tumult	blast
Screech	grate	riot	yowl
Shout	slam	racket	shatter

Soft words

Sigh	mutter	gurgle	speechless
Murmur	snap	swish	mute
Whisper	hiss	rush	faint
Whir	crackle	chime	inaudible
Rustle	bleat	tinkle	melody
Twitter	peep	clink	resonance
Patter	buzz	hush	harmony
Hum	zing	still	musical

Speech words

Stutter	sing	bellow	whimper
Stammer	yell	growl	talk
Giggle	scream	chatter	speak
Guffaw	screech	murmur	drawl
Laugh	snort	whisper	hiss

Sight words

Glittery	fluorescent	light	opaque
Opalescent	translucent	puckered	somber
Overcast	shimmery	luminous	glinting
Blazing	radiant	filmy	lanky
Crooked	billowing	tiny	huge
Dazzling	enormous	graceful	delicate
Attractive	ruddy	pallid	flamboyant

Touch words

Cool	slippery	silky	gritty
Cold	spongy	satiny	sandy
Icy	mushy	velvety	rough
Lukewarm	oily	smooth	sharp
Tepid	waxy	soft	thick
Warm	fleshy	wooly	pulpy
Hot	rubbery	furry	dry
Steamy	tough	feathery	dull
Sticky	crisp	fuzzy	thin
Damp	elastic	hairy	fragile
Wet	leathery	prickly	tender

Taste words

Oily	sugary	tangy	gingery
Buttery	crisp	unripe	hot
Salty	ripe	raw	burnt
Bitter	bland	alkaline	overripe
Bittersweet	tasteless	medicinal	spoiled
Sweet	sour	fishy	rotten
Hearty	vinegary	spicy	
Mellow	fruity	peppery	

Smell words

Sweet	piney	briny	rancid
Scented	minty	acidic	sickly
Fragrant	odorous	acrid	stagnant
Aromatic	pungent	burnt	moldy
Perfumed	tempting	gaseous	musty
Flowery	spicy	reeking	mildewed
Heady	savory	putrid	damp
Fresh	sharp	rotten	dank
Balmy	gamey	spoiled	stench
Earthy	fishy	sour	stale

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Vivid Verbs – Sensory Verbs

Hearing/loud	Hearing/soft	Hearing/speech
Crash	Whisper	Stammer
Thunder	Sigh	Giggle
Yell	Murmur	Guffaw
Blare	Snap	Laugh
Thud	Patter	Sing
Boom	Swish	Scream
Bang	Giggle	Screech
Smash	Sing	Snort
Explode	Snort	Bellow
Roar	Chatter	Growl
Scream	Drawl	Chatter
Screech	Whisper	Murmur
Shout	Whir	Whisper
Yell	Rustle	Whimper
Whistle	Twitter	Talk
Whine	Patter	Speak
Squawk	Hum	Drawl
Bark	Mutter	Yell
Bawl	Snap	
Bray	Hiss	
Rage	Crackle	
Grate	Bleat	
Slam	Peep	
Clap	Buzz	
Stomp	Zing	
Stamp	Gurgle	
Jangle	Rush	
Clash	Chime	
Deafening	Tinkle	
Pierce	Clink	
	Hush	

Vivid Verbs – Sensory Verbs

Movement/fast	Movement/slow
Hurry	Creep
Run	Crawl
Scamper	Plod
Skip	Slouch
Scramble	Lumber
Dart	Tiptoe
Spring	Bend
Spin	Amble
Spring	Saunter
Stride	Loiter
Streak	Stray
Propel	Slink
Trot	Stalk
Gallop	Edge
Drive	Sneak
Dash	Stagger
Bolt	Lope
Careen	Canter
Rush	Waddle
Race	Drag
Zoom	Sway
Zip	Soar
Ram	Lift
Speed	Drift
Chase	Droop
Hurl	Heave
Swat	
Flick	
Whisk	
Rip	
Shove	
Swerve	
Smash	
Drop	
Plummet	
Bounce	
Dive	
Swoop	
Plunge	
Swing	
Fly	
Sail	

Sensory words

Touch	Taste	Smell	Sight		
Cool	Oily	Sweet	Dark	Lithe	Radiant
Cold	Buttery	Scented	Dismal	Lively	Fiery
Icy	Salty	Fragrant	Rotted	Muscular	Blazing
Lukewarm	Bitter	Aromatic	Old	Sturdy	Fresh
Tepid	Bittersweet	Perfumed	Used	Robust	Clean
Warm	Sweet	Heady	Worn	Hardy	Scrubbed
Hot	Hearty	Fresh	Untidy	Strong	Tidy
Steamy	Mellow	Balmy	Shabby	Healthy	Handsome
Sticky	Sugary	Earthy	Messy	Frail	Pleasant
Damp	Crisp	Piney	Cheap	Fragile	Calm
Wet	Ripe	Odorous	Ugly	Pale	Serene
Slippery	Bland	Pungent	Ramshackle	Sickly	
Spongy	Tasteless	Tempting	Tired	Small	
Mushy	Sour	Spicy	Exhausted	Tiny	
Oily	Vinegary	Savory	Arid	Miniature	
Waxy	Fruity	Sharp	Awkward	Timid	
Fleshy	Tangy	Gamy	Crooked	Shy	
Rubbery	Unripe	Fishy	Loose	Nervous	
Tough	Raw	Briny	Curved	Frightened	
Crisp	Alkaline	Acidy	Straight	Wild	
Elastic	Medicinal	Acrid	Orderly	Bold	
Leathery	Fishy	Burnt	Formal	Dramatic	
Silky	Spicy	Gaseous	Crisp	Tantalizing	
Satiny	Peppery	Reeking	Pretty	Irresistible	
Velvety	Gingery	Putrid	Heavy	Energetic	
Smooth	Hot	Rotten	Flat	Animated	
Soft	Burnt	Spoiled	Stout	Perky	
Woolly	Overripe	Sour	Wide	Arrogant	
Furry	Spoiled	Rancid	Rigid	Imposing	
Feathery	Rotten	Sickly	Narrow	Regal	
Fuzzy		Stagnant	Overloaded	Stately	
Hairy		Moldy	Congested	Elegant	
Prickly		Musty	Cluttered	Large	
Gritty		Mildewed	Crowded	Huge	
Sandy		Damp	Jammed	Immense	
Rough		Dank	Packed	Massive	
Sharp		Stench	Bruised	Gigantic	
Thick			Tied	Showy	
Pulpy			Stretched	Decorative	
Dry			Tall	Dazzling	
Dull			Erect	Opulent	
Thin			Lean	Jeweled	
Fragile			Slender	Lavish	
Tender			Supple	Exotic	